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Victor Starbuck

The silver rain shall wet me and the wandering winds shall dry;
And I will watch the seasons pass in green and golden pageantry
And mark the armies of the night go marching through the sky.

For once I was a wanderer with wind and star for company,
And once I was the over-lord of all the clouds and trees.
But now I am a husbandman, with spade and hoe companioned—
And you may have the winding roads, and all the seven seas!

Victor Starbuck

AUTUMN PROPHECY

The dead leaves dance like withered witches;
Teetering, swirling,
Dropping and curling,
And crackling in the dried-up ditches.

Hear them whisper as we go past.
How each dry lip
Rustles gossip!
Do you hear them saying our love won't last?

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